



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
APACHE-SITGREAVES NATIONAL FORESTS**

WEST FORK CAMPING AREA TEMPORARY CLOSURE

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 551 and 36 CFR 261.50(a) the following act is prohibited within the area of Alpine Ranger District, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests, in the state of Arizona as described in this Order and depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this Order as Exhibit A.

1. Using any type of vehicle prohibited by the order: Motorized vehicles are prohibited on NFS Road 68A. **36 CFR 261.54 (e)**
2. Possessing or using a vehicle off National Forest System roads. **36 CFR 261.56**
3. Camping. **36 CFR 261.58 (e)**

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e) the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a permit specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
3. Contractors associated with the rehabilitation of the West Fork Camping Area while in the performance of authorized Forest work.

RESTRICTED AREA:

The restricted area includes National Forest land, roads and trails within Township 5 North, Range 28 East, and Sections 32, 29, and 30 as described below and depicted in **Exhibit A:**

Beginning at the entrance of Forest Road 68A at the gate located near junction of Forest Road 68 and 68A, going north on the east side of Forest Road 68A along the canyon bottom of the West Fork Black River Canyon to Colonel Springs and continuing west to the Springerville and the Alpine District line, continuing east and then south on the west side, along the canyon bottom of the West Fork Black River Canyon to the corner post of

the fence line and continuing east across the West Fork of the Black River to the Forest Road 68A at the gate located near the junction of Forest Road 68 and 68A. This closure includes all of Forest Road 68A from the gate near its junction with Forest Road 68 from north to its terminus within the closure area.

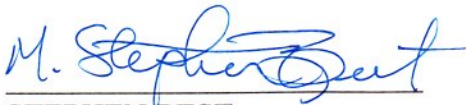
PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Order is to provide for public health and safety.

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until May 31, 2018, unless rescinded prior to this date.
2. Violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for individual or \$10,000.00 for organizations or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months or both. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3559, 3571 and 3581].
3. This Order supersedes, rescinds, and replaces any previous order prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.

Done at Springerville, Arizona, this 4 day of March, 2016.



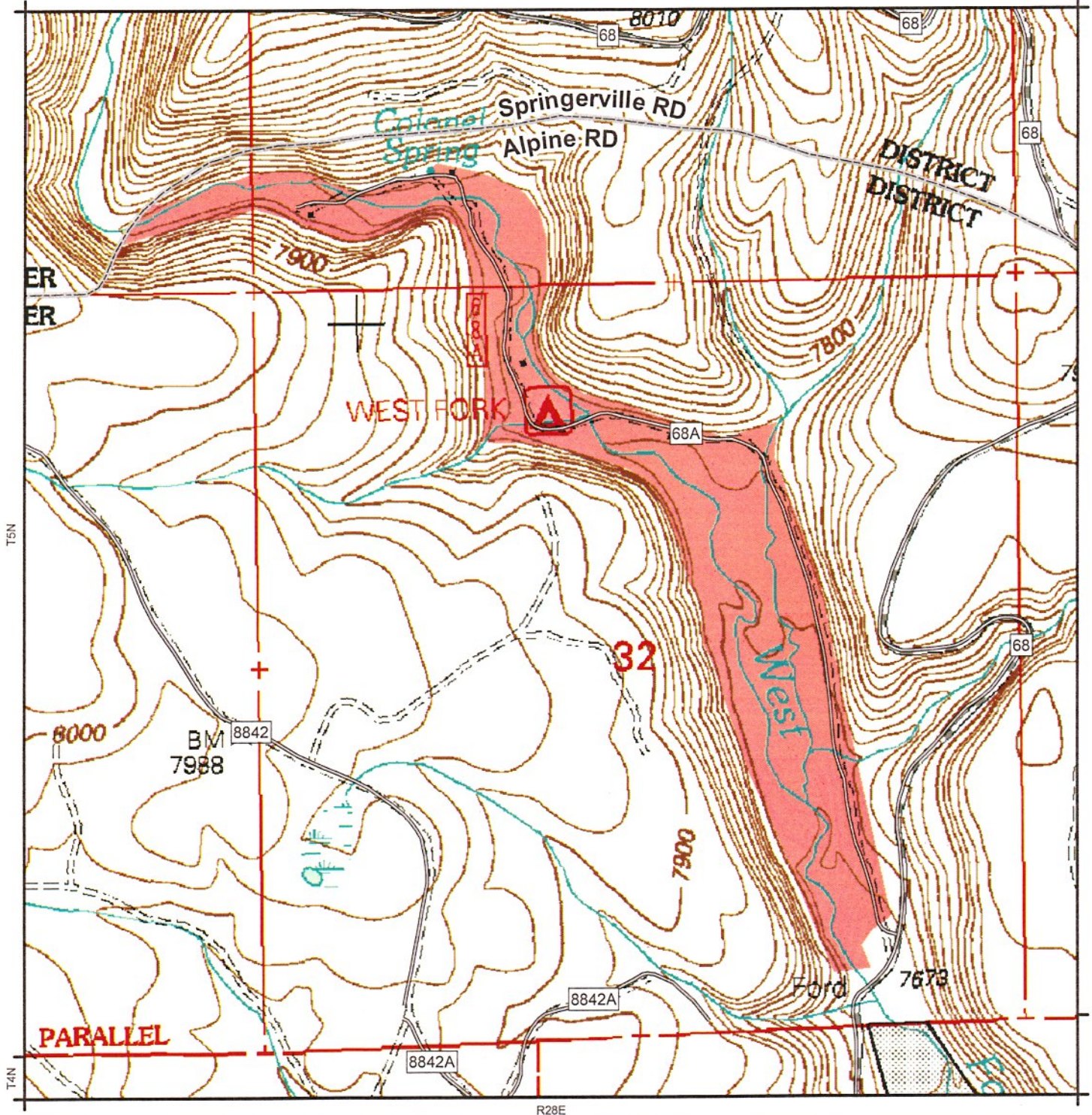
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Alpine Ranger District
West Fork Closure Area
Order Number: 01-16-585
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Legend

- Closure Area
- Forest Road
- Non-Forest Service Land



Map Scale = 1:12,000

2,000 1,000 0 Feet